

MCPHERSON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
June 21, 2021

June 21, 2021
9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting
All Present

At 9:00 a.m., Chairman Becker opened the regular meeting. One item was added to the agenda for June 21, 2021: Commercial Solar Energy Projects Committee Applications. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **All voted aye.**

During Public Input at 9:02 a.m., Sheriff Jerry Montagne joined the meeting and updated Commissioners on the current jail counts and recent department activities.

Greg Benefiel, County Attorney also addressed Commissioners during Public Input and distributed documents of case filings data and related information for their review before he returns to a future meeting for discussion.

Commissioner O'Dell announced that the Commercial Solar Energy Projects Committee Application link is now available to submit online and is located on the home page of the County website. Mr. O'Dell also asked the media to publicize the location of the application. The deadline for applications is July 10, 2021.

Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the minutes for June 14, 2021, as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

Rick Witte, County Administrator/Financial Manager presented a resolution to re-appoint Kim Romero as the County Appraiser for an additional four-year term. Commissioner Kueser made a motion to approve and sign Resolution #2021-17 as presented. Commissioner O'Dell seconded. **Chairman Becker voted aye. Commissioner Kueser voted aye. Commissioner O'Dell voted aye.**

At 9:12 a.m., Barbara Rush presented the 2022 McPherson County Conservation District Budget Proposal.

At 9:33 a.m., Terry Bolte presented the 2022 McPherson County Council on Aging Budget Proposal.

At 9:50 a.m., Mark McVicker, Public Works Fleet Maintenance Foreman presented a request to purchase a new tractor mower. Following discussion, it was a consensus among Commissioners to revisit the item at the end of the meeting.

At 10:03 a.m., Lindsey Mueting and members of the Program Development Committee presented the 2022 McPherson County Extension Department Budget Proposal.

At 10:25 a.m., Shalei Shea, County Health Department Director, presented the 2022 Health Department Budget Proposal.

At 10:45 a.m., Jeff Butler, County IT Coordinator, joined the meeting with two (2) items:

- A. A request to purchase a new printer for the Public Works Office. Following discussion, Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to approve the purchase of a Konica Minolta bizhub C250i in an amount not to exceed \$5,985.00 plus the standard maintenance agreement of charges per copy, as presented. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**
- B. Presentation of the 2022 IT Department Budget Proposal.

At 11:40 a.m. Commissioners held further discussion regarding the Public Works tractor mower. Commissioner O'Dell made a motion to authorize Public Works to negotiate the price of an available 2018 tractor (model 6130R) and mower (model M15 Flex Mower Rotary Cutter) for a price not to exceed \$118,745.00. Commissioner Kueser seconded. **All voted aye.**

At 12:45 p.m., Commissioner Kueser made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner O'Dell seconded.
All voted aye.

Minutes recorded by Abbey Heidebrecht

Keith Becker, Chairman

David O'Dell, Vice Chairman

Thomas L. Kueser, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Hollie D. Melroy, County Clerk